

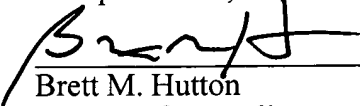


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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed on July 6, 2006, in connection with the above-identified U.S. patent application. The two-month period for response expires on September 6, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed on September 5, 2006, along with a Request for Continued Examination and the corresponding filing fee in the amount of \$395.00. The Commissioner is authorized to charge PTO Deposit Account No. 08-1935 in the amount of \$395.00 for the Request for Continued Examination filing fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional filing fee required, or credit any overpayment to U.S. Deposit Account No. 08-1935.